

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraphs of the specification as follows:

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[1012] In step 6, upon receiving the Channel Assignment Message 5, and after receiving two consecutive good frames on the forward link, the mobile station sends a preamble to the base station to help the base station acquire the reverse link signals from the mobile station. Once the reverse link has been acquired, the base station sends the Base Station Acknowledgement Order 7 to the mobile station in step 7. Upon receiving the Base Station Acknowledgement Order 7, the mobile station sends the Mobile Station Acknowledgement Order 8 to the base station in step 8 to indicate ~~indicate~~ that the mobile station has acquired the forward link being transmitted by the base station.

Please amend paragraph number [1012] as follows:

[1012] FIG. 5 is a diagram of a wireless communication system 100 that supports a number of users, and which can implement various aspects of the invention. System 100 may be designed to support one or more standards and/or designs (e.g., the IS-95 standard, the cdma2000 standard, the HDR specification). For simplicity, system 100 is shown to include three base stations 104 in communication with three ~~[[two]]~~ mobile stations 106. The base station and its coverage area are often collectively referred to as a "cell". Each base station 104 communicates with MSC or PDSN 102. The MSC or PDSN 102 may communicate with a network, such as the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN), Internet or an intranet (not shown).